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Judicial Affairs
Forming Student
Conduct Review
Committee to look
at changes to
Judicial Affairs.

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GPSC
The Graduate and
Professional
Student Council
will meet tonight at
7 in the Mississippi
Room of the
Student Center.

Correction
Monday's story,
"College of Mass
Communication and
Media Arts leads
enrollment
increase," should
have stated that
the College of
Liberal Arts leads
the increase with
a gain of 159
students, and that
Larry Dietz is the
vice chancellor for
Student Affairs and
enrollment
management.

The Daily Egyptian
regrets the error.

FORECAST

TODAY
Sunny
High: 45
Low: 34

TOMORROW
Partly Cloudy
High: 66
Low: 45

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KERRY MALONEY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

A SAP-PY MOMENT: Children from Cobden Elementary School huddle together to keep warm as they watch John Wallace demonstrate how maple syrup is made at Touch of Nature Environmental Learning Center on Friday. The class of first through third graders learned about how sap is collected and made into syrup. There will be a similar demonstration open to the public on Saturday, February 12.

Auditors find no weakness in Pepsi contract

*Illinois Legislative
Audit Commission
approve SIU's fiscal
1998 audit*

JAYETTE BOLINSKI
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SPRINGFIELD — Apparently satisfied with the University's legal explanation of a no-bid contract with Marion Pepsi bottler Harry Crisp, a group of Illinois legislators needed only 15 minutes to unanimously approve SIU's fiscal year 1998 audit.

In fact, committee members seemed more concerned by an audit finding that SIU professors failed to complete proper paperwork before taking computer equipment home for research purposes.

SIU representatives appeared Monday before the Illinois Legislative Audit Commission in Springfield to answer questions about the University's financial and compliance practices. The

commission is responsible for oversight of the State Audit Program, review of the stewardship of public funds and the monitoring of action to correct weaknesses disclosed by the audits of state agencies. The membership consists of 12 legislators appointed by the General Assembly leadership and is equally apportioned between the two houses and political parties.

SIU's representatives included employees of the University's auditing firm; SIU general counsel Peter Ruger; and Vice President for Budget and Planning Services Elaine Hyden. Interim SIU President Frank Horton was unable to attend the hearing because of a prior commitment.

Area media speculated last week that members of the commission would question SIU's representatives about the University's 1997 no-bid contract with Crisp. The contract was created after Crisp donated \$500,000 toward a new floor in the SIU Arena. In exchange for the donation, University officials agreed to allow only Pepsi products to be sold at basketball, football and baseball events.

The contract, which was not competitively bid, is in effect until 2020.

Former SIU President Ted Sanders has been hotly criticized for the negotiation and has been accused of violating bidding laws that exist for such contracts. But University officials have said all along that the contract was legal and negotiated in an appropriate manner.

Ruger said Monday he was delighted with the hearing and that the commission's failure to question the Crisp contract indicated, in his opinion, the commission's agreement that the contract was appropriately negotiated.

"I have provided [the University's auditors] with all the contract documents," Ruger said, "and I think the fact that it did not come up as a problem to me indicates that they concur with my interpretation that it was a perfectly legal arrangement."

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Audit shows that some paperwork wasn't finished properly

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Weekend fire causes concern over candles

Candle the likely cause of Schneider Hall fire, causing concern among students, officials

DAVID FERRARA
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The smell of smoke still lingers on the 12th floor of Schneider Hall. Black soot stains the under part of a ledge outside room 1208's window, which is now boarded up with plywood.

Step off the 12th floor elevator Monday afternoon and you would have been encapsulated in a darker, smoke damaged floor.

Around 2:30 p.m., 10 maintenance workers and painters rinsed the brick and sanded papered the walls. Linger down the A-wing. At room 1208 a new door with a makeshift-hinge lock has been installed.

The room inside is unsafe and completely unlivable. In fact, it may be some time before that room is inhabitable. The paint on the walls has charred and disintegrated.

Even with the door open, only a sliver of sunlight sneaks through the boarded up window.

Next door, in room 1206, Shawnte Bennett is cleaning up her room — with the door open to keep the air fresh.

Bennett, a freshman transfer student from Chicago who

Alarm system worked correctly as planned

The system and the work of police and firefighters are credited with safe evacuation of residents

RHONDA SCIARRA
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS EDITOR

The strobe lights of a new fire-alarm system installed in Schneider Hall alerted SIUC police officer Marzine Rafe to Sunday's fire that destroyed the contents of a residence hall room.

The actions of Rafe, firefighters and University staff, the effectiveness of the fire alarm system, and the construction of Schneider Hall were crucial ingredients to the safety of students during Sunday's blaze.

The room was inhabited by Mario Kennedy, a sophomore in theater from Burbank, and Megan O'Laughlin, a freshman in pre-elementary education from East Peoria. Both women were not in the room when the fire started.

Brush Towers and University Park residence halls were recently fitted with "state of the art" fire-alarm systems, equipped with strobe lights, fire sensors throughout the buildings, sirens and loud speakers.

An SIUC student expressed concerns that the new system failed to respond when a first-floor alarm was pulled. The system then responded when a second first-floor pull station was activated moments later, the student said.

COLA increases enrollment

Dean attributes increase to outreaches by departments and coordinator

BRYNN SCOTT
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The College of Liberal Arts increased its enrollment for the first spring semester in five years, gaining 159 students. Recruitment and retention efforts along with departmental programs may have made the difference, according to COLA Dean Shirley Clay Scott.

Though official figures show enrollment trends to be higher in the fall, COLA's enrollment increased by 102 students from fall 1999 to this spring.

Scott complimented Anita Hutton, coordinator of Recruitment and Retention, for spearheading the program. She also said almost every department in the college has top-notch outreach programs, and the enrollment increase may be a result of them.

"Our outreaching efforts) are beginning to pay off," Scott said. "Students are seeing quality in our college."

COLA is notable in its Psychology and Anthropology departments, which have received high national ratings. The Saluki Debate Squad has been successful nationally as well.

The Theater Department has offered summer internships, the Black American Studies Department participated in the National Summit on Africa, and the Political Science Department has taken part in a model government program.

Hutton said aside from hard work on behalf of faculty, three other factors have played a big role in the enrollment increase.

COLA has updated its Internet website, implemented an electronic-response program and increased relationships among Illinois high schools and colleges.

The electronic-response system is a service provided by COLA that connects prospective students to SIUC through information exchange. Students can request information about COLA or any University program and receive it within two weeks. The system is especially helpful for international students because it eliminates the cost of a phone call.

Hutton has visited numerous high schools and colleges, recruiting students to those from COLA's diverse programs. The college has 16 departments — the College of Science follows with eight.

The college also developed the Writing Center, where any student can improve his or her writing skills. The center has three locations: Faner Hall, Trueblood Hall and the Lesar Law Building.

Diane Taub, associate dean for COLA, sent out 300 letters to students on academic probation in fall 1999 requesting the students see her for guidance. The letters, sent out every semester, have also been an aid in retention.

Taub said a key in the enrollment increase was the focus on retention within the program. Dean Scott plans to request additional funding for COLA this summer as a result of the enrollment increase.

COLA is developing a program called the Alumni Network, designed to connect students with alumni. The network will educate SIUC students about their University and provide mentors.

"The network will be good for students who are undecided," Hutton said. "It will be good for them to meet especially those alumni whose jobs haven't related directly to liberal arts."

"The job market is changing left and right, and liberal arts skills are beneficial to all jobs," Hutton said.



Gus says:
I went into journalism because I can't add.

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TODAY

- **Library Affairs WebCt 2.0 overview, 10 to 11 a.m., Morris Library Room 15, PowerPoint, 10 to 11:15 a.m., Morris Library 103D, introduction to constructing web pages, 6 to 8 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.**
- **Baptist Collegiate Ministry Center is offering free lunch for internationals, every Tues., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Baptist Student Center on the corner of Mill and Forrest St., Judy 457-2898.**
- **Japanese Table, every Tues., noon to 1 p.m., Student Center Cambria Room, bring your lunch, Dawn 536-8380.**
- **SIUC Wellness Center presentation "What to do if someone you care about has an eating disorder", noon to 1 p.m., Student Center Mackinaw Room, 536-4441.**
- **College of Liberal Arts Advisement appointment information, specialized populations, Feb. 8, all other students, Feb. 11, self advisement, Mar. 21, art/design, music, speech and theater students are exceptions and need to see their respective advisors.**
- **University Career Services Job Interview Workshop, 5 p.m., Lavson 121, Vickie 453-2319.**
- **SPC Films meeting to select films for student entertainment, every Tues., 5 p.m., basement of Student Center, Amanda 536-3393.**
- **College Democrats meeting, 5:30 p.m., Activity Room A, Heather 351-9382.**
- **Department of Philosophy and Study Abroad Programs meeting for those interested in joining the 16th annual programs to Egypt and Greece, 7 p.m., Saline Room Student Center.**
- **Ballroom Dance Club meeting, dance Tues., 8 to 9:30 p.m., Davies Gym**

- **second floor small gym, \$15 student members, Bryan 351-8855.**
- **Saluki Volunteer Corps needs assistance with children to do age appropriate activities, Feb. 8 and Feb. 22, Unity Point School, 453-5704.**
- **Premedical Professions Association health professions student panel, mandatory attendance for Chicago trip, 7 p.m., Life Science III Auditorium, Brian 529-3180.**
- **Kappa Alpha Psi informational meeting for undergraduate males interested, 8 p.m., Jareem 457-3320.**

UPCOMING

- **Library Affairs instructional applications for the web, Feb. 9, 10 to 11 a.m., Morris Library 103D, digital imaging for the web, 1 to 2 p.m., Morris Library Room 19, intermediate web page construction, 2 to 4 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.**
- **SIUC Wellness Center Body Image Booth and Screening, Feb. 9, 4 to 6 p.m., 536-4441.**
- **Organization of paralegal students is having a guest speaker, Feb. 9, 5 to 6 p.m., Lavson 231, Leanne 351-6713.**
- **Gamma Beta Phi Society meeting, Feb. 9, 6 p.m., Kaskaskia/Missouri Room Student Center, Hany handle@siu.edu.**
- **Outdoor Adventure Programs/Student Recreation Center indoor sessions and outdoor session offered for participants interested in registering for Rock Climbing 101, sign up starts Feb. 9, the last day to sign up is Feb. 19, 6 to 8 p.m., ARC 453-1285.**
- **AnimeKai presents Japanese animation films with English subtitles, every Wed., 6 to 8 p.m., Faner 1125 Language Media Center, Jason 536-6365.**
- **Pi Sigma Epsilon meeting, every Wed., 6 p.m., Ohio Room Student Center, Amanda 351-8198.**
- **Sigma Sigma Sigma informational rush, Feb. 9, 7 p.m., 106 Greek Row, Katie 536-8436.**

- **Cornerstone Christian Fellowship bible study in the books of Hebrews, Feb. 9, Iroquois Room Student Center, Wayne 529-4043.**
- **Chi Alpha Campus Ministries African-American bible study, every Wed. and Thurs., 7 p.m., Ohio Room Student Center, Karleton 549-8496.**
- **SIUC Chess Club meeting, Feb. 9, 7 to 10 p.m., Mackinaw Room Student Center, Jim 453-7109.**
- **PSE open house, Feb. 9, 7:30 p.m., Ohio Room, Amanda 351-8198.**
- **Library Affairs email using Eudora, Feb. 10, 2 to 3:15 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.**
- **SIUC Zoology presents Dr. Katie Dugger's seminar, Feb. 10, 4 p.m., Life Science III Auditorium Room 1059, John 453-7958.**
- **Student Programming Council marketing committee meeting, every Thurs., 5 p.m., Activity Room B Student Center, Asha 536-3393.**
- **SIUC Wellness Center presentation "The Body Myth", Feb. 10, 5 to 6:15 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, 536-4441.**

- **SIUC Kendo Club meeting, every Thurs., 6 to 9 p.m., Davies Gym, Todd 353-4002.**
- **Alpha Chi Omega informal rush party, Feb. 10, 7 p.m., Student Center Bowling Alley, Erin 351-1373.**
- **International Spouses Group meeting to learn to make Valentine cards and socialize together, Feb. 10, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Our Savior Lutheran Church, Beth 453-5774.**
- **SIU Sailing Club meeting, every Thurs., 8 p.m., Ohio Room contact Shelley 529-0993.**

CORRECTIONS

Readers who spot an error in a news article should contact the DAILY EGYPTIAN Accuracy Desk at 536-3311, extension 228 or 229.

POLICE BLOTTER

CARBONDALE

- **A Carbondale man was beat up by four men in the parking lot of Carbor, 760 E. Grand Ave., around 2 a.m. Sunday. A witness told Carbondale police he saw four men leave the scene in a white car with shiny wheels. The suspects have not been located and police continue to investigate the incident.**
- **An SIUC student told Carbondale police someone entered his unlocked car and stole a \$120 blue hooded Abercrombie and Fitch winter coat. The incident occurred between Friday and Saturday in the 500 block of West Main Street. There are no suspects in this incident.**
- **A Carbondale man and woman were arrested on charges they battered Carbondale police after a traffic stop in the 600 block of East Main Street at 1:03 p.m. Sunday. Police said Germaine Valiant was driving a car without a valid driver's license, and when taken to the police department, spit in the face of a sergeant. Police searched Detric Cole, a passenger and the car's owner. During the search, Cole showed an officer and fled, police said. When he was apprehended police said they found 8 to 10 crack cocaine rocks in his possession. Cole was subsequently charged with possession of a controlled substance and aggravated battery of a police officer.**

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- **DeAndre L. Pugh, 18, of Carbondale was arrested on a warrant issued by the Illinois Department of Corrections for parole violation at 10:41 p.m. Friday. Pugh was taken to the Jackson County Jail.**
- **A 19-year-old student told University police someone broke the passenger-side rear taillight cover on a car parked in Lot 106 between 1 a.m. and noon Saturday. Loss in the incident was estimated at less than \$100. There are no suspects in this incident.**
- **An 18-year-old student told University police her wallet was stolen from her East Campus residence hall between 9 and 9:41 p.m. Saturday. The wallet was later located in a trash can by maintenance workers. An undetermined amount of cash and other items were missing. Police have no suspects in the incident.**
- **A 21-year-old student said he received a series of hang-up phone calls between 8:40 and 9:45 p.m. Sunday. University police have no suspects in the incident.**
- **University police discovered graffiti on a wall in the 16th floor of Mac Smith Hall around 10 p.m. Sunday. There are no suspects in this incident.**

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USG's request for changes may come

Chancellor to form a committee to review changes for Judicial Affairs

GINNY SKALSKI
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

A Student Conduct Review Committee will soon be in place to review changes to Judicial Affairs as suggested by Undergraduate Student Government.
Interim Chancellor John

Jackson recently agreed to form a Student Conduct Review Committee to look at potentially revising the Student Conduct Code.

According to interim Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Jean Paratore, Jackson decided to form the committee after USG passed two resolutions that called for a change in Judicial Affairs.

"The resolutions that were passed in the senate last semester required a change of the Student Conduct Code," Paratore said. Jackson was unavailable for comment.

In December, USG senators passed a resolution to establish a constituency review board for Judicial Affairs and passed a resolution requesting the chancellor to review a specific student's case in Judicial Affairs.

In order to amend the Student Conduct Code, a recognized constituency, like USG, must request that the chancellor appoint a committee to consider amendments to the code.

According to the Student

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There are a lot of issues to discuss. It depends on now often they meet, but the intent is to have it completed by the end of the semester so we can make any changes adopted.

JEAN PARATORE
Interim Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

NEWS IN BRIEF

CARBONDALE

MCMA holding reception, installing plaque today

The College of Mass Communication and Media Arts is holding a reception today at 3:30 p.m. in room 1032 of the Communications Building to recognize the deans and staff that comprise the College of Communications and Fine Arts.

The CCFM was the name of the college from 1970 to 1993, before it became MCMA.

A plaque will be installed and refreshments will be served at the reception.

For more information, contact Clare Mitchell at 453-4308.

Oops theater troupe to perform today

A live performance of, "It ain't my fault... When Relationships Go Bad," will be presented tonight at 7 in the Student Center Auditorium. The performance, presented by members of the African-American theater troupe Oops Entertainment, consists of two comic skits demonstrating the ups and downs of relationships, and coincides with Black History Month.

For more information on the event, contact Yohlunda Mosley at 453-5714.

AIDS walk needs planners for the event

Volunteers throughout Southern Illinois are needed for an AIDS walk that will occur next fall. The Southern Illinois Regional Efforts for AIDS Inc. is in the process of organizing the walk and needs people to help plan the event. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend the next SIREA meeting from 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at the Carbondale Newman Center, 715 S. Washington St.

UWPA seeking nominations for awards in spring

The University Women's Professional Advancement will be awarding the University Women of Distinction award in April. Nominations are needed from any organization or individual and should be submitted before March 21. The award may be given to faculty, students, civil service employees and administrative staff.

For more information or for a nomination form call 453-1366.

Jackson County judge to step down in April

William Schwartz to take presiding position

DAVID FERRARA
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Jackson County Judge David W. Watt Jr. will step down as presiding judge in April. But he will probably remain in the county courthouse, which houses four other judges, as a circuit judge, a courthouse employee said.

On April 3, Circuit Judge William G. Schwartz will replace the 56-year-old Watt. Watt circulated a memo Jan. 25 announcing his resignation from the presiding position. Watt

has been in Jackson County since 1990 as presiding judge. He was retained in 1994. Watt began in Jackson County in 1982 as an associate judge.

A presiding judge delegates case load to the circuit and associate judges in the courthouse. As a circuit judge, Watt comes up to be retained by voters this November. Watt also supervised employees such as secretaries, court reporters and security guards.

Currently, he typically handles the felony cases as the presiding judge.

Schwartz handles mostly civil and juvenile cases.

There was no indication whether Watt's courtroom duties would change. He was out of

town Monday and Schwartz was unavailable for comment.

As presiding judge, Watt has had recurring conflicts with county board members.

Watt's stormy reign cleared somewhat among the board in 1998 when a new board was elected and administrative office changes were made.

During a sexual assault trial this summer, Watt's statements struck USG and University officials, and some community members, when he said sexual assaults are inclined to happen in the residence halls at SIUC.

Last semester, there was talk of having Watt eliminated as a judge in the county because of his statements.

Rash of weekend auto burglaries hit campus lots

Man arrested in Carbondale after trying to sell car stereos

DAVID FERRARA
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Four cars were broken into or damaged while parked in two different lots this weekend, University police said.

In three of the incidents, police said they have identified a suspect

whom police would not name Monday.

A 21-year-old Carbondale man told police someone smashed his rear window and stole a car stereo worth more than \$300. The car was parked in Lot 23 between 2 and 4:45 a.m. Saturday when the incident occurred.

Later Saturday, two people said their cars were broken into while parked in Lot 59.

An 19-year-old woman told police someone broke through a rear window of her car while it was in Lot 59 to get inside and stole a car stereo. The stereo was worth

more than \$300, the woman told police. The woman said the incident occurred between Wednesday and Saturday.

An 18-year-old man also told police someone broke into his car while it was parked in Lot 59 in a similar style. The car's rear window was shattered and a stereo was taken. He told police the stereo was worth more than \$300. The car was burglarized between Jan. 30 and Saturday.

Someone also damaged the front grill, bumper and license plate of a 19-year-old student's car while it was parked in Lot 59, police said.

The damaged reportedly occurred between Jan. 17 and Friday. There was no damage estimate in this incident.

Police would not say if the incidents were related.

"Whether there are similarities by chance, or similarities by design, we can't say at this point," University Police Lt. Todd Sigler said.

A 43-year-old Carbondale man was arrested near the Carbondale Citgo, 912 W. Main Street,

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MAILBOX

Fix judicial system before it's too late

DEAR EDITOR,
In the Feb. 3, 2000 edition of the DAILY EGYPTIAN, I thought the editorial in "Our Word" regarding [Gov. George] Ryan's moratorium was very well written. I think that it is about time someone steps up and takes a closer look at the death penalty. I agree with the author of the article that there is no room for mistake regarding capital punishment. I think that Ryan is doing the right thing in regards to investigating this matter.
There are too many flaws in our judicial system. Many of the accused are assigned lawyers by the state who may not necessarily practice criminal law. The Constitution guarantees the right to a fair trial whether the accused is guilty or innocent. However, I do believe that if one is found guilty beyond reasonable doubt, then the person should pay severe consequences for their actions. I think there should be committees whose sole responsibility is to review cases for errors and find solutions instead of possibly executing an innocent person. This matter needs to be fixed before it is too late!

Kirk Bolen
sophomore in finance

OUR WORD

University shows vision with Weber's contract

Building and sustaining excellence should be the goal of everyone associated with SIU. Without thinking big and having the drive to follow through on those dreams, the University will be unable to establish itself among the premier universities in the country. The University has been criticized, and rightly so, for lacking aggressive, ambitious leadership since the Delyte Morris era. That is why SIU deserves special praise for its proactive handling of Bruce Weber's contract.

Weber, SIU men's basketball head coach, was recently given a four-year contract worth \$200,000 a year in addition to other benefits and incentive clauses. The contract is unusual for SIU because of the relatively high salary and the long-term nature of the contract. The deal places Weber among the top couple paid coaches among the 10 Missouri Valley Conference schools.

There will inevitably be a handful of faculty and other observers who complain about the size of Weber's contract, questioning whether the money would be better spent on something that more directly benefits academics. While it is true that there are numerous entities on campus in need of better funding, those complaints are faulty.

Weber is in his second year at SIU. With each winning season Weber guides the Salukis to, he becomes more attractive to other universities. In the ultra-competitive world of college basketball, offering Weber attractive compensation is necessary to make him inclined to stay at SIU rather than take a better-paying job elsewhere. And while the contract does not guarantee Weber will stay in Carbondale, it was shrewdly constructed, forcing any school that might hire Weber before his contract expires to compensate SIU.

For those familiar with Saluki basketball, there is little question SIU is extremely fortunate to have Weber as coach. Weber has an incredible work ethic, spending endless hours prepping his team, studying other teams, recruiting, fund-raising, and doing all the tasks that go into running a successful basketball program. Not only is Weber an excellent strategist and recruiter, but he is also a good family man and an all-around classy individual. As one of SIU's most visible employees, he is a tremendous ambassador for the University.

Weber was making more than \$100,000 a year prior to his new deal, and \$50,000 toward his new annual pay is coming from private donations generated by the SIU Foundation. That money would not be going to the Theater Department, or the Engineering Department, or any other scholastic program. That money came from alumni and local businesses who specifically laid down the cash to keep their basketball coach at SIU.

The Foundation is to be applauded for demonstrating that a successful fund-raising campaign can take place at SIU. The Foundation set a clear goal, energetically followed through, and accomplished it. For a University that struggles to attract the amount of private dollars needed to supplement appropriations from the state, this is a clear sign of progress.

For those who think Bruce Weber has it so great, consider this: What other job on campus do thousands of people see you on your worst day? Is a geology professor subject to the same level of scrutiny when an experiment produces uninspiring findings as Weber would be if the Salukis are blown-out by 20 points in the first round of the MVC tournament in March. Do professors put

their job on the line every year the same way basketball coaches do, knowing that two or three bad seasons will cost them their job? Being a college basketball coach may bring prestige and good pay, but the challenge of building a winning program, lack of job security and other assorted headaches make the job a mighty difficult one.

Furthermore, Weber's pay is by no means out of line in his field: For example, University of Illinois men's basketball head coach Lon Kruger's pay of \$750,000 a year makes Weber's salary look like peanuts. By comparison, Illinois President James Stukel earns \$272,000 a year. It is not atypical for Division I basketball coaches to be paid large sums of money. Regardless of whether that says anything good or bad about society, SIU must pay competitive salaries or the Salukis will be left in the dust.

Athletics is an integral part of college life, and basketball has long been the bread and butter of SIU sports. Not only does having an exciting basketball team create fun for students, alumni and the Southern Illinois community, but having the dynamite type of program Weber is capable of building can have wonderful implications for a university's image and morale, not to mention enrollment. What is good for SIU athletics is good for the University as a whole.

SIU is blessed to have a fine coach in Bruce Weber, and we commend the administration and the Alumni Foundation for taking a legitimate step to secure his long-term presence at the University. Instead of griping about how much Weber is earning, we should take his new contract as an example of the University aggressively reaching for excellence, and strive to make that the norm across the board at SIU.

How you wasted two years of your life

In a blatant attempt to avoid homework, and all other frivolous responsibility, I was flipping through the television channels the other day. I happened upon an episode of "Oprah." She was talking about high schools that day. A panel consisting of various high school students insisted that high school wasn't a positive experience. One student thought she wasn't being challenged by the remedial work and that she was forced to sit through classes that offered nothing new. Another student thought she was an out-cast, unable to really take advantage of the high-school education because of the social politics inherent in every school. Both girls dropped out of school just to get a GED. They then immediately began college, where both currently receive stellar grades — not to mention a culturally rich environment with which to study.

Leon Botstein, president of Bard College, was also on the show. He agreed with the young women. He thinks high school should end by the 10th grade. In an article in the New York Times, he

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wrote, "The American high school is obsolete and should be abolished." Botstein's argument is that high schools are unnecessary to a child's growth. He thinks, like many do, that a young person's true knowledge comes from college and other life experiences. After the 10th grade, a child has soaked up all they can from a high school and should move on to new challenges.

Botstein's opposition argues that children aren't mature enough after two years of high school. Others think students

would lose that "high school experience." They fear that their children will grow up too fast and become miserable adults, wishing for the days when they were young.

Looking back at my own life, Botstein's theory makes sense. I had the extreme pleasure of attending a high school in Small-town, U.S.A., where 97 students attended the school. My class was the largest, with 27 people. It wasn't exactly an Olympic arena of mental cultivation. We didn't have a newspaper or any type of club for chess players, republicans, or any other group with unique hobbies or interests. There was no football team or swimming pool. No photography classes, art classes, or anything else beyond the norm. We were taught math, science, English, history and, for spice, a foreign language.

In addition, the odds of meeting new people were slim, especially since you grew up with half the school. You already had opinions formed on most of the people. It didn't help that most students had farming backgrounds and everyone

was white. There was little room for personal growth. There was even less room to be unique. What a waste of four years.

I think it is extremely important for students to experience high school; however, it is more important for high school to be over as fast as it started. Why not let kids finish high school early? First, children are much smarter today. They experience and learn so much more before they even enter school. Thanks to the Internet, they have access to so much knowledge. It is because of all of this new access children are already growing up faster than normal. Also, as an older-than-average college student (and speaking for students who would be in college longer than they would like), I can say that it would be nice to receive a bachelor's degree by age 20 or a master's by 22. Many of us will be middle-aged by the time our college careers are through. We will have lost our teens and better part of our 20's, all because we had to waste four years in an obsolete institution like high school.

FIRE
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just moved into Schneider Hall this semester, woke up early Sunday morning with the alarm above her bed blaring.

Around 1:30 a.m. Sunday a candle likely set her neighbor's room ablaze, fire officials said. The girls who live in 1208 were not in their room when the fire started.

Though she just moved to SIUC this semester, Bennett, like many students in Schneider, first thought the alarm was fake. She had heard the stories. There were 81 mechanical malfunctions on campus last semester. Police said 21 times an alarm was pulled when there was no fire.

But when Bennett's room filled with smoke, she knew it was real. She threw on her robe and scurried outside.

"Seeing the smoke and everything — it's traumatizing," Bennett said. "That's something nobody should go through."

Those who live in Schneider's A-wing were forced out of the building for the remainder of the weekend. On Monday, between classes students were busy cleaning up their rooms.

More students are now saying they are going to take the sound of an alarm more seriously.

Victoria Wilson is one of them.

Wilson, a sophomore in political science from Belleville, said she walked past room 1208 Sunday thinking the alarm was fake.

She lives across the hall from where the fire started.

Her room is adorned with a few candles that she says will not be used anymore.

SIUC housing has no policy against having a lighted candle in a residence hall.

"I think it certainly has to make you stop and consider it," said Steve Kirk, assistant housing director. "Some of the issues we are going to have to talk about is our stance on candles in the residence halls."

As housing officials saunter over the housing candle policy, Wilson said she thinks SIUC should follow the lead of other universities.

"That should have been an SIU policy to begin with," Wilson said. "Other campuses have it for a reason. I'm going to take mine home."

Karissa Jones, an undecided freshman from Bloomington, seems unfazed by the fire. She was out of her room when the fire occurred and

returned to find her floor closed off.

"I'll probably still assume it's a false alarm because we've had so many," Jones said.

She lit a candle in her room Monday to ward off the smell of smoke, but she was continuously eyeing the flame. She agrees with Wilson that the candle policy should be investigated.

"It just makes you paranoid," Jones said.

With students cleaning out their rooms, maintenance workers have hours of work ahead before the floor is back to normal. The workers arrived at the hall around 5 a.m. Sunday and have been vacuuming the floor and washing the walls since. There's no telling how long it will take to finish cleaning the floor.

The door at room 1209 has to be replaced, and today, painters have to slap a layer of a stain-killing liquid on the ceiling and wall.

Painter Fred Gilbert said the stain killer will have a strong smell, but the smell won't last and will not stick to your clothes like enduring smoke.

"They could smell that for a day, or they could smell this for however long," Gilbert said.

“**Seeing the smoke and everything—it's traumatizing. That's something nobody should go through.**”

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Audit reveals evidence of faulty record keeping

Commission prompts university to address the problem

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SPRINGFIELD — The University's failure to keep adequate documentation for equipment loans and admission exceptions was addressed by SIU officials Monday during a hearing before the Illinois Legislative Audit Commission in Springfield.

An audit of SIU's fiscal year 1998 financial and compliance practices revealed the infractions, Elaine Hyden, vice president for Budget and Planning Services, told members of the commission that University officials have addressed the problems.

According to audit findings, the University did not keep adequate records of equipment purchases through the Honors Program. Six of 17 tested pieces, valued at \$3,268, were on loan to a single faculty member without proper loan documentation on file.

Hyden told the committee that in most cases of University equipment loans, old equipment that has been replaced, such as computers, is loaned out to faculty members for at-home research. Officials simply failed to fill out the proper paperwork from time to time.

Another audit finding, which has since been addressed by University officials, indicated the University admitted students who failed to meet the required high school credit requirements standards. For instance, three of 10 students selected for auditors' review had deficiencies in one or more areas of the required high school curriculum. None of the files contained explanations for why an admission exception was granted.

Hyden told the commission the students in question did meet the admission requirements, although the requirements typically were met in an unusual manner, such as receiving credit for a high school course at a community college instead of at the high school. The University now will keep appropriate paperwork in such cases to document such exemptions.

COMMITTEE

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Conduct Code, the committee, which has yet to be formed, will consist of two undergraduate students, one graduate or professional student, two faculty members, one academic dean, and one representative from University Housing, Student Judicial Affairs and University Legal Counsel.

The two resolutions came about after USG had a town-hall meeting to hear student concerns about Judicial Affairs.

Several resolutions calling for changes in Judicial Affairs were presented at the meeting, and were later presented at the following USG meeting. At the USG meeting, two were passed and the others were postponed indefinitely.

USG President Sean Henry and East Side senator Eric Waltmire, who have both led the campaign to change Judicial Affairs, recently met with several constituency heads to get

feedback from Student Affairs regarding some of the concerns raised about Judicial Affairs before the committee was formed.

Henry and Waltmire met with Paratore, Terry Huffman and Carlos Delrio of Student Judicial Affairs, and Director of Student Development Nancy Hunter Pei Jan. 28 to discuss what issues should be addressed when a Student Conduct Review Committee is formed.

The group identified nine main points the committee will review regarding Judicial Affairs, including the implementation of a constituency review board at the post-vice chancellor level. According to Henry, the board would be similar to the Parking and Traffic Appeals Board, and would be the final hearing entity at the campus level.

Other Judicial Affairs points to be addressed include the expansion of the "grounds for appeal," providing students with a written statement if they are found in violation, allowing accused students the ability to face

their primary accuser, expanding the role of an accused students' advisor, the usage of criminal or civil decisions in Judicial Affairs hearings, the role of the adviser to the student board, establishing individual meetings with students to discuss their sanction instead of a letter, and Judicial Affairs jurisdiction.

Henry said the group came up with the nine points after much emotional discussion.

"We just went through all of the USG resolutions passed or unpassed that we want to look at, and also other concerns that Eric and I had," Henry said.

Paratore said once the committee is formed and has an opportunity to meet several times, she hopes it will be able to make any appropriate changes by the end of the semester.

"There are a lot of issues to discuss," Paratore said. "It depends on how often they meet, but the intent is to have it complete by the end of the semester so we can make any changes adopted."

FIRE

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"The opinion of the University is that the fire-alarm system worked exactly as it is designed," said Brad Dillard, assistant director of the Physical Plant. "A smoke detector outside of the room activated at the same time as the pull system on the first floor."

Assistant Housing Director Steve Kirk said every indication he has received from the Physical Plant and Carbondale Fire Department has been that the system worked properly.

"When you have a serious accident and you have a lot of people affected, you will have a variety of opinions," Kirk said.

Dillard said because the structure of Schneider Hall is designed to contain a fire to one room, Sunday's fire

was unable to spread beyond room 1208. Fire damage totaled \$18,000, and the entire contents of the residence hall room was destroyed.

Resident assistants and housing staff safely evacuated all of the students at the time of the fire, while SIU police and the Carbondale Fire Department extinguished the flames. About 800 students live in Schneider Hall.

Rafe was sitting in his patrol car in Lot 45 when the alarm sounded. He and another officer entered the building's lobby and took the elevator to the 12th floor.

By the time Rafe entered the building with another officer, the evacuation of Schneider was almost complete. Thin films of smoke had filled the hallway as the officers gathered the 12th-floor fire hose and opened the room's door.

"I was just trying to figure out if someone was in the room," Rafe said. "That is when everything went black. It is like you are choking. You smell it, and it burns your chest. Once it flooded the hallway, you couldn't even see your hand in front of your face."

Rafe was treated and released for smoke inhalation after Sunday's fire. He admitted himself into Memorial Hospital early Sunday morning. In the 11 months Rafe has worked in the SIU Police Department, he has responded to six residence hall fire alarms that have been false resulting from someone pulling a pull station.

"I was just doing what I was supposed to do, just doing my job," he said. "It was a big deal going into a building that has a room on fire and not knowing if anyone was in there—I hope students now realize the seriousness of a fire."

BURGLARIES

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Saturday morning after trying to sell a car stereo in the area. Timothy E. Paris was charged with failure to appear in a Will County Court at 6:19 a.m. He was taken to Jackson County Jail. Police refuse to say whether he was involved in the burglaries on campus.

As of press time Monday, Paris

was being held in Jackson County Jail on \$200 bond, jail officials said.

"We are unable to say that he is connected in any way with the auto burglaries," Sigler said.

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NCAA considers eligibility changes

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. — In a radical departure from one of its bedrock principles, the NCAA might be softening its stance on amateurism.

Specifically, NCAA governing bodies are working toward legislation that would allow athletes to return to the collegiate ranks even after they have competed professionally in the same sport.

Picture NBA star Kobe Bryant taking the court in a UCLA uniform — even after his career with the Los Angeles Lakers had already started.

"If this goes through, it will have one of the greatest impacts on amateurism that we have ever seen," Kansas State University athletic director Max Urlick said. "And I think it's a dangerous direction to go.

"I'm scared to death of it." Current rules preclude athletes from competing at the collegiate level once they have accepted pay to play. In basketball, athletes who are selected in the NBA draft automatically relinquish their collegiate eligibility — regardless of whether they play a single competitive minute.

The NCAA hopes to allow an opportunity for athletes to return to college if their professional pursuits fail. Players such as former Wichita East star Korleone Young, who jumped straight to the NBA in 1998 but now finds himself scuffling along in the International Basketball League, could return to a college team.

"Should they forever lose their eligibility because they misjudged their ability?" asked Christine Grant, chairwoman of the NCAA committee spearheading the movement. "It seems like that's not fair."

Instead, the new legislation probably would penalize the athlete a year of eligibility for every year that he or she spent on the professional circuit. Players who spend two years shuttling between the NBA and the

Continental Basketball Association, for example, would lose two years of college ball.

So far, the NCAA has only discussed eligibility issues as they pertain to students who have not yet started their college careers. In time, Grant's committee also will explore options for college athletes who leave early for the pros but then decide they would like to return to college.

Nothing will happen soon, though. The governing body empowered to enact legislation won't vote on the matter earlier than October.

But the proposed changes seem a stark departure from longtime NCAA canons. The amateurism section of the voluminous NCAA manual, alone, plods on for 14 pages.

"It would take someone with 10 Ph.D.'s to understand all of the amateurism rules," said Grant, who also is the director of women's athletics at the University of Iowa. "How students figure this all out is beyond me.

"What we're trying to do was monitor what people were doing from the time of birth until the time they enrolled at the university. It's a totally impossible task."

And all in the name of amateurism, a concept that dates to the 19th century when English upper-classmen used the idea to help define their social status. The basic notion was that those engaged in leisure activities for pure enjoyment, and even sportsmen who didn't need to work with their hands as a livelihood, were higher on the social ladder.

The concept of amateurism has long since disappeared from Olympic lexicon. Not only has the term "amateur" been removed from the Olympic charter, but U.S. Olympic basketball teams are now dominated by current NBA stars.

And the NCAA — whose initial constitution stated in 1906 that "no student shall represent a college... who has at any time received, either directly or indirectly, money" — has strug-

gled with amateurism tenets through the years.

Sweeping changes in the amateurism rules at the 1974 convention, for one, allowed athletes to compete as professionals in one sport and maintain their eligibility in another. Other age-old amateurism ideas have long since changed: the ban on recruiting high school players, for example, and the prohibition on athletic scholarships.

New this. "We have to develop more trust between our student athletes and the NCAA," said Bill Saub, director of agent and gambling activities for the association. "Right now, our student athletes feel very used. This would send a clear message. The sooner we put it into effect, the healthier it is for them.

"It's time to give our prospective student athletes a choice. It's time for the NCAA to get out of their lives."

Yet another proposal would allow athletes to accept prize money and monetary incentives without jeopardizing their collegiate eligibility. NCAA officials are finding it increasingly difficult to track the earnings of, say, a tennis player who might have won prize money as a 13-year-old while playing overseas.

Another example: Andre Williams, the former Schlegle High player who was temporarily suspended by Oklahoma State because a benefactor paid his prep school expenses, may have had no eligibility consequences if the proposed rules were in place.

The amateurism deregulation was the topic of an open forum at the NCAA's recent convention in San Diego.

"I was surprised there weren't more strident opinions," said Ted Leland, the athletic director at Stanford University and chairman of the Division I Management Council. "We didn't have anybody saying, 'This is the end of Western civilization as we know it!'"

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Callahan said the trickle-down effect could spread success to other sports and "benefit us all." He thinks the investment in Weber is worth it.

"If you look at what the big boys in big programs are making, it pales in comparison," Callahan said. "He is probably underpaid."

Weber's incentives include an extra \$5,000 in the team wins the Missouri Valley Conference and a \$50,000 bonus if the Salukis reach the NCAA Men's Final Four.

Callahan said if the basketball team was to do well in the post-season, it would generate revenue for the department and the University.

Kathy Jones, associate athletic director, is happy Weber signed and showed a willingness to stay at the University.

"This is a wise investment for our program," Jones said. "I think everyone is happy that he made the commitment to us, and us to him."

Keeping a coach of Weber's caliber was a high priority of the athletic department, and Jones thinks it is necessary to invest for the long-term. "If we want to have winning pro-

grams, we have to invest in our coaching, among other things, including facilities and scholarships," Jones said. "This is a wise investment for the future of the program."

Callahan said he did not know what the consensus thoughts are among the coaches, but thinks Weber's signing is a step in the right direction for the University.

"I think if we got a quality person with a lot of ability, you're going to have to pay him," Callahan said. "And to me, it's justifiable. Since basketball is the highest profile sport at SIU, I'm glad he is here instead of somewhere else."

Arena ensures nothing.

"Just playing at home doesn't guarantee victories," Weber said. "We've got to go out, play active and get the crowd involved.

"Our kids are going to have to get up — we cannot let home games slip by. You get your home games and we're in the race. Maybe not for first, we'll have to see what happens with Indiana State, but at least for the top couple spots in the league."

Indiana State, which lost to Southwest Missouri State University Sunday, can be caught. While the Sycamores are a talented team, they

have their share of deficiencies, namely size.

Following the three home games, SIU travels to Crighton, then hosts the Sycamores. After the way Indiana State embarrassed the Salukis the first time, the contest between SIU and Indiana State in Carbondale should be a bloodbath.

My guess is if SIU wins these three home games, the Valley championship will be at stake when Indiana State comes to town. But should they slip up on this homestead, the fact is, they won't deserve to be conference champions.

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and have kept SIU head coach Bruce Weber from truly being able to enjoy his new contract.

"I still have a sick feeling from the Creighton game four weeks ago," Weber said after Saturday's Drake win.

Any loss in the next three games would cast major doubt about not only the Salukis' skill level, but also their mental toughness. These are games that SIU must win. As Weber noted, though, playing at the SIU

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Homestand last chance to shake bad habit

Seven games left, five are at home. Starting Thursday, three straight games at the SIU Arena against eminently beatable teams.

If the SIU men's basketball team is going to make some noise, now is the time. But to do so, they'll have to shake off a disturbing habit of turning in ill-timed flat performances.

Fresh off a 2-1 road trip that started and ended with impressive, blowout victories but was dampened by a frustrating loss to the University of Northern Iowa, the Salukis are in good shape to make a late-season push for the Missouri Valley Conference title.

The Salukis will stroll onto the SIU Arena floor against Wichita State University Thursday night sporting a record of 13-9 overall and 7-4 in the MVC. SIU is tied with Bradley for second place, two games behind league-leading Indiana State University.

Indiana State trounced the Salukis by 35 points in the teams' first meeting in Terre Haute, Ind., but the Sycamores still have to lumber their way down to Carbondale Feb. 23 for what has the makings of a dramatic rematch.

But first thing's first. If that game is to have title implications, SIU needs to cash in on this three-game homestand. The Salukis' three opponents — Wichita State, Illinois State University and Northern Iowa — are less-than-intimidating foes.

However, based on what the Salukis have done, or rather haven't done, these games are anything but gimmes. So far this season, the Salukis have failed to sustain quality play for any prolonged period of time.

The Salukis have played brilliantly some of the time, only to regress into lackluster performances.

SIU was riding a season-best four-game winning streak heading into a home game against Creighton Jan. 8. Instead of maintaining their momentum, the Salukis played poorly and lost to the Bluejays, then played dismal basketball in a loss at Saint Louis University.

Another prime example of SIU's sporadic play came on the just completed road trip. SIU looked outstanding in an 81-58 win at the University of Evansville, only to turn around and lose by 14 to a Northern Iowa team that lost its next game to Bradley 80-39.

Those are the type of let-downs that have plagued the Salukis' post-season chances,



Jay Schwab
Sports Editor



KERRY MALONEY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Saluki senior Melaniece Bardley wrestles for control of a loose ball with an Evansville player Jan. 29 in the 60-58 loss at SIU Arena. The Salukis fell to the University of Northern Iowa Monday night, 71-57. Freshman guard Molly McDowell led the Salukis with 13 points.

UNI's Starr outshines SIU

Panthers' Allison Starr pours in 22 points as UNI dumps the Salukis 71-57

COREY MCCAIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The SIU women's basketball team was unable to come back from a dominating first half by University of Northern Iowa star Allison Starr Monday night, as the Salukis fell 71-57.

Starr scored 17 of the Panthers' 29 first-half points. Starr, who was on fire from behind the three-point line, was 4-for-4 from three-point land and finished with a game-high 22 points.

UNI, on the other hand, hustled to get offensive rebounds, which resulted in extra shot attempts. The Panthers recorded 15 second-chance points.

SIU (6-14, 3-8) missed a big opportunity to gain some ground in the Missouri Valley Conference standings. Even more disheartening is the loss of momentum the Salukis had gained after a hard-fought victory over Bradley

University Saturday.

"I really would say this is one of our worst losses of the year coming off a win after six-straight losses," Beck said. "It was a great opportunity for us to step up our game and move up in the standings. I am very disappointed that we didn't do it."

There was a bright spot for SIU, as freshman guard Molly McDowell showed signs of life. McDowell led the Salukis in scoring with 13 points, including three three-pointers.

"It's good to see her in double digits," Beck said.

Manuel Martin-Torres

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SIU Arena to get new sign to announce upcoming Saluki events.

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FAST BREAK

Tiger Woods won an unprecedented sixth-straight victory on the PGA Tour Monday. Woods trailed by seven shots with eight holes left to play. Woods shot a 64 in his final round for the victory. Only Byron Nelson, with 11-straight wins, has more.

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School	Conference W-L	Overall W-L
Indiana State	9-2	16-6
Southern Illinois	7-4	13-9
Bradley	7-4	11-11
Evansville	7-5	16-7
Creighton	7-5	15-7
Southwest Missouri	6-5	13-9
Northern Iowa	5-6	12-9
Drake	4-7	10-10
Wichita State	2-9	7-12
Illinois State	2-9	7-15

Weber's contract reaps more than just personal benefits

Reaction to Weber's signing positive among peers in athletic department

ANDY EGKES
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Bruce Weber's contract extension may be an investment for the entire athletic department and could reap just as many benefits off the court.

Weber, SIU men's head basketball coach, signed a contract last week giving him a base salary of \$200,000 for the next four years, plus incentives.

Players and coaches alike have

applauded the athletic department's effort to keep Weber around for the long-haul.

Kent Williams, a highly-recruited SIU freshman basketball player from Mount Vernon, thinks Weber's new deal will be a chance for his coach to show off his recruiting skills. Williams said Weber was the biggest factor in his signing.

"His personality sold me," Williams said.

Williams said he was looking for stability in a four-year institution and did not want to change coaches in the middle of his collegiate career. He said that during the recruiting visit, Weber said he "hoped" he would be able to coach all of Williams' four years.

Now, he will be able to guarantee it.

Not only will the contract have an impact on Weber's players, but it could affect other areas of the athletic department.

Dan Callahan, SIU head baseball coach, said the benefits of Weber's contract may be felt by other sports.

"I think there are some people here at the University, not just athletes, that realize that basketball is our marquee sport," Callahan said. "And if we are going to do well in basketball, there is a good chance that there will be a trickle-down effect."



Weber

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